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1. The entire equipment of the sections for research in electro-acoustics and magnetophones (laboratories 06 and 09) of the Bureau for Cinematography at Berlin-Babelsberg is to be sent to the USSR. These sections have been under the control of Golobiev and Grigoriev. No German workers will accompany the equipment.
2. The Bureau is no longer under Russian control, and all Russian employees returned to the USSR on 31 December 1949 with the exception of Podbovodievski, head of the Bureau, who returned from the USSR about 16 November and who remained in Germany to effect the final transfer of the Bureau to German control.
3. Major Omyelin, chief engineer and head of the optical section, has been ordered back to the USSR and is believed to have left on 20 November 1949. His successor, Koroliev, who joined the bureau in 1948, was formerly head of the personnel section.
4. The Bureau's research will continue under the German Democratic Government, but this entails re-equipment of the laboratories, since all the machinery and instruments were removed by the Russians. The development of cinematographic projectors, with continuously and uniformly moving film, employing rotating prisms, will be continued.
5. The continuous-motion projector has successfully passed its tests. A light power of 45 lumens was attained, whereas the previous optimum attained by the normal projectors is 3 lumens. Agfa at Wolfen have been instructed to develop film on an extra-thin base, so that the potentialities of the apparatus may be exploited. The East German Government has agreed to continue to support research in the apparatus in 1950, but the present equipment is the property of the Soviet Government and will be sent to the USSR.

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